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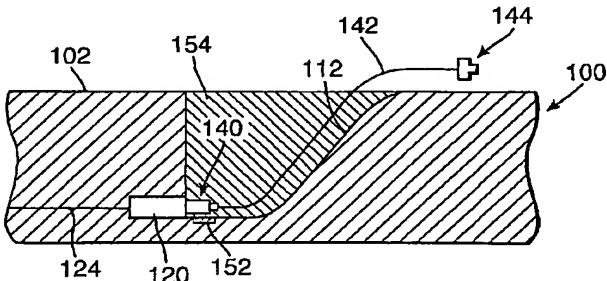
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(57) **Abstract:** One aspect of the invention provides a method for providing a connection between an embedded fibre optic (124) and a surface connector (144). The method comprises providing a substrate (100) comprising an embedded fibre connector component (120), forming a trench (110) to expose the embedded fibre connector component (120), and forming a fibre abutment connection between the embedded fibre connector component (120) and a fibre optic (142). The fibre optic (142) is suitable for guiding radiation between the embedded fibre connector component (120) and the surface connector (144).

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